

Helpful Hints.

Beetles can be exterminated from any room if the place they infest is sprinkled with ground borax mixed with common brown sugar.

When the flesh is bruised it should be bathed freely and at once with very hot water. This will prevent congestion and the ugly discoloration.

To sweeten rancid butter, melt the butter, skim it, then place a piece of light brown toast in it, and in a few minutes the toast will have absorbed the unpleasant taste and smell.

To prevent frying fish from becoming greasy and sodden, have the fat in which it is to be fried almost boiling hot before putting the fish in the pan. A blue smoke will be rising from the fat when it is in the proper condition.

Alum water is good to use for rinsing curtains and muslin hangings, children's dresses and pinafores, in order to render them non-inflammable. Two ounces of alum should be dissolved in one gallon of water and be used in the rinsing process.

Nut Loaf or Vegetable Turkey.

Mix together three cups chopped nuts, three cups dry breadcrumbs, three cups of milk, one tablespoon of butter dissolved in some of the milk, one and one-half teaspoons of finely powdered sage or poultry seasoning, two teaspoons of salt. Lastly, stir in six well-beaten eggs. Bake twenty minutes in a brisk oven and serve hot with brown gravy and cranberry jelly. Half of this recipe makes a large quantity. I bake mine in a loaf pan.

Brown Gravy—To each cup of water take three tablespoonfuls of peanut meal, add when boiling. Thicken with browned flour and season to taste.

Hamburg Eggs.

Cream two tablespoonfuls of butter, four tablespoonfuls of soft bread crumbs and a teaspoonful of minced parsley, seasoning to taste with salt, paprika and celery salt. Work all to a smooth paste and with it line small individual patty pans that have been brushed with melted butter; break an egg carefully into each, and after dusting lightly with salt, cover with a mixture of melted butter and browned bread crumbs, cooking for six minutes in a hot oven. Serve in the pans garnished with parsley.

Do Not Plant Weed Seeds.

Farmers cannot watch their seed too closely to avoid planting seeds of this plant. They should make special effort to control its growth if present in their soil.

Smart Weeds.

Seed of smart-weed is often found in the grain after it is threshed. The seeds are not easily separated from wheat and for this reason millers do not care to handle wheat that contains seed of this weed.

State of Oklahoma, Craig County. In District Court.

Dave Murphy, Plaintiff vs. W. C. Horsley, Mayma Horsley, C. E. Ivers, Ida J. Ivers, Wallace B. Allen, and Oliver A. Hutchings, Defendants. No. 1289 Civil.

Said defendants W. C. Horsley, Mayma Horsley, C. E. Ivers, Ida J. Ivers, Wallace B. Allen and Oliver A. Hutchings, will take notice that they have been sued in the above named Court for upon petition to reform, and correct Mortgage executed by W. C. Horsley and Mayma Horsley, to Dave Murphy, upon NW 1-4 of SE 1-4 of Section 6, Township 27 N., Range 18 East, in Craig County, Oklahoma, and for the foreclosure of the said Mortgage, and which lands have been held by the other defendants herein and now claim of have claimed some interest in said lands covered by said Mortgage, and that said defendants must answer the petition filed therein by said plaintiff on or before the 17th day of February A. D. 1913, or said petition will be taken as true, and a judgment for said plaintiff in said action for reformation and correction of Mortgage and for the foreclosure thereof, and judgment for any residue, will be rendered accordingly.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1913, 1913. DAVENPORT & CO., Attorneys for Plaintiff. LEE R. MITCHELL, District Clerk. By C. V. CARSELOWEY, Deputy.

CLERKS FLED INTO VAULT

Breaking Trolley Sounded Like Earthquake in Atlantic City and Workers Are Panic Stricken.

Atlantic City, N. J.—Half a dozen clerks were standing near the big vault in the Chelsea National bank in this city, discussing the earthquake. Their backs were turned toward the street. Suddenly there came a blinding flash, as though from a huge ball of fire, followed by a rumbling noise. The clerks, terror-stricken, and without waiting to investigate, took it for granted that another earthquake had visited the city, and they considered the safest place was the big vault. Into this they jumped, and, pulling the door shut, awaited developments.

They waited for a long while, but seemingly nothing happened. Then they tried to open the vault door, but could not. It was some time later when the cashier, missing the clerks and noticing that the vault door was closed, opened it, and found the young fellows nearly smothered.

A big campaign banner, water soaked from the rain, had fallen across the trolley feed wire, breaking the wire and causing the flash and explosion which the clerks noticed. The breaking of the feed wire tied up trolley traffic on the lines for nearly two hours.

BABY IS BLOWN OFF SHIP

Gocart Floats on Ocean but Child Falls Out and is Drowned Before Aid Reaches Her.

Melbourne.—A dispatch to a local paper from Hobart says that a baby daughter of Mrs. Hennie Larnock was carried overboard from the deck of the steamer Adelaide and lost. The mother was wheeling the child in its carriage along the deck when some women passengers addressing her caused her to leave the handle for a moment, and during her brief absence a gust of wind filled the top of the cart and the light vehicle was whipped over the rail.

For some hundred feet it was carried like an airship and then it somersaulted into the sea. A boat's crew was immediately lowered and the carriage was easily picked up, but the little one could not be found and after several hours spent in the vicinity of the crazed mother, who had to be locked in her cabin, was compelled to proceed without her baby.

It is said that had the little one been strapped into her cart she would very likely have been saved, for the wooden carriage would have kept her afloat until the ship's boat would have reached her.

Monument for Miss Hill.

There is a movement afoot to erect a monument to Miss Octavia Hill, the woman who gave a half century's demonstration of housing reform to English landlords. She proved, not by argument, but by the fact, that landlords of tenement houses could cut their rents in two, keep their houses in good repair and clean, and make 5 per cent. on their investments. Ruskin, who put up a considerable sum for her experiment in 1864, reported in 1877 that he had had it all back in interest. Those who followed her work most closely seem to agree that her special efficacy in the getting of results lay in a combination of salutary strictness, which held the tenant to the mark, and a profound humanitarianism that was not for a minute obscured by this strictness.

A Globetrotter.

Take an old suitcase, one that shows unmistakable signs of hard usage, and paste foreign hotel labels all over it. Rub some dirt on the labels and make a few scratches as if you had tried to remove them. Be careful, however, that you do not render the labels illegible. Go to a public library and, with the aid of guide books, write out stories of your experiences at the various places indicated by the labels. Commit these stories to memory and use them whenever an opportunity arises. Needless to say, you can create opportunities by carrying the suitcase with you wherever you go. People may not believe all your stories, but they will believe enough of them to give you quite a reputation as a traveler.

Baseball Over the Sea.

A native son of the Golden West, born in Los Angeles and now conducting a great business enterprise in the city, is also a good deal of a sport. Among other things he owns a baseball team, and also a great pleasure pier at Venice. He has an inspiration which could only be conceived in the brain of a native son, and that would put Coney Island and all other seaside resorts in the discard. He proposes to have his baseball team play ball over the surface of the sounding seas. Now, is not that an idea? He does not aspire to work miracles and teach his players to run bases on the water. The idea is to convert his big pier into a big park with a grass plat "diamond," and there put up the great American athletic game.

Good Idea for Schoolgirls.

In the Woman's Home Companion appears the following: "Five high-school girls and their mothers decided upon the following arrangement. Instead of carrying a single lunch every day, each girl selected one day out of the five school days of the week, and on that day carried enough lunch for five. The effect not only simplified matters, but added to the quality of the lunches. All agreed that food was to be simple and wholesome, and that candy and pickles were to be eliminated. Five white paper napkins and a small lunch-cloth were provided with each lunch, which was served in picnic fashion. Lunches were planned for the day before instead of being hastily gathered up from the remains of the breakfast table, or instead of supplying the girl with a dime for the candy man."

Greatest Sheep Dog.

Pink, the greatest sheep dog of her day, belong to Mr. Moses of Broxton Farm, Oawestry, Scotland, has died at the age of seven. Pink was endowed with almost human sagacity and had won more first prizes than any other sheep dog in trials in various parts of the country. Pink was a smooth-haired collie, cleanly built after the greyhound style. That was how she got her speed. She was as gentle with a chicken or a pig as with a sheep. She never distressed or irritated sheep, but if one were stubborn she would stand facing it and at the whistle walk quietly up and seize it by the nose, and the sheep had to go where she wanted.

Fuel of the Future.

In the opinion of many authorities, when the existing supplies of fuel become limited men must rely upon alcohol produced from vegetation of some sort which may be produced in any required quantity. It is thought that the alcohol will be manufactured either from potato starch or sawdust, but it has been suggested that when the question becomes urgent some highly specialized plant will have been brought into existence for the sole purpose of absorbing the maximum amount of carbon dioxide from the air. The wonderful improvements which hybridization has already effected save this idea from being regarded as too fanciful.—Harper's Weekly.

Greatest Milton Scholar a Woman.

One of the distinguished women of Methodism is Prof. Laura Lockwood of the chair of English, Wellesley college. She is a native of Indiana and a former student of Moores Hill college, graduated at the University of Kansas and secured her doctor of philosophy at Yale. She is the author of several literary works, among them a lexicon of Milton's works that is widely used in both this country and Europe. She is probably the best Milton scholar living and though Milton is elective her classes number 150. She goes abroad for advanced study every year.—Zion's Herald.

Something New Under the Sun.

There is reason to believe, says Prof. J. W. Nicholson of the Royal Astronomical society, that the spectrum is now revealing in the corona of the sun a more elementary form of matter than any yet discovered on earth. It is proposed to call this elementary substance "nebulium." Prof. Nicholson says the spectrum of the far distant nebulae in the depths of space indicates that they are composed of this same "nebulium," which is coming to light in the solar radiations. "Nebulium" is considered as being a lighter gas than hydrogen.

Why He Was Sad.

Grahame-White, the English aviator, recently told this story of a Frenchman whose sweetheart came to America to visit some friends. During her absence of course, the poor Frenchman was very sad, and when she returned to France he seemed even sadder. "What's the matter with you," a friend asked. "I'm worried about my sweetheart," muttered the Frenchman. "You see, since her return from America she kisses so much better than she used to!"

Wasting Time.

Never ask a dealer if his goods are fresh. This question is asked 10,000 times daily and has never been answered in the negative yet.—Pittsburgh Post.

Mark Twain in Bitter Mood.

If you pick up a dog out of the street and feed him and care for him, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man.—Mark Twain.

FARMERS COMING TO MUSKOGEE

EASTERN OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL CONFERENCE TO MEET ON FEBRUARY 4.

TO DISCUSS IMPROVED METHODS

Rich Territory, Long Held Back by Conditions, Must Take Active Steps to Secure Good Settlers.

The Muskogee Commercial Club is awakened to the necessity of agricultural development in every county in Eastern Oklahoma, and has sent broadcast over that part of the State a call for a meeting to be held in Muskogee on February 4th, 1913, which will be known as the "Eastern Oklahoma Agricultural Conference."

The prosperity of every man depends upon the prosperity of the average man. If that average man is a farmer, it becomes the business of every other man whether he be merchant, banker, lawyer, railroad man or what not to get together in one mighty endeavor to raise the producing ability of that average man.

In calling the Eastern Oklahoma Agricultural Conference to meet in Muskogee on February 4th, 1913, we have in mind the beginning of a concerted, continuous movement for the improvement of agricultural and stock raising along practical lines.

Comparatively, Eastern Oklahoma is largely undeveloped. On all sides of us we find the territory occupied by our neighbors in an advanced state of development. What this territory of ours can produce in kind and quantity, what population it can support, few realize. Our condition is unlike any other section of the United States of equal area. This expanse of country is new tomorrow agriculture, due to the fact that only within the last few years lands could be bought and sold, and only since November, 1907, have we enjoyed the rights of self-government under a State organization. The holding of all lands of former Indian Territory as tribal Indian lands is the prime cause of our present retarded state. It is now "up to" all of our people through organization and individual effort to make more rapid progress in agriculture than has any other section in the history of the United States, hence the call for the Eastern Oklahoma Agricultural Conference.

Our Problems.

Our problems are peculiar to this section, and their solution rests with us through the united activities of the farmers, bankers and business men generally. We must develop without delay along all new lines from small beginnings. This is our task. We are new in matters of government, commerce, agriculture and education. This very condition of newness presents to our progressive citizens a rare opportunity to direct our agricultural improvements along advanced scientific lines. We have a wealth of experience of others to guide us. Our progress therefore, if we do our duty, should be the more rapid and complete. It is "up to" our people to study our problems seriously, and to set themselves with resoluteness to work towards the ultimate solution of these problems.

Few will disagree with us when we say that of all our problems that of agriculture demands first attention. It is of first importance, not alone to the farmer, but to the merchant, manufacturer, jobber and banker. Its successful solution awaits the concerted action of the entire producing community. The town and country have an identity of interests and successful co-operation means mutual benefit.

The growth of the city awaits the development of the country. We recognize and appreciate these facts, and the Eastern Oklahoma Agricultural Conference presents the opportunity of making a start in organized effort.

How to Improve Conditions.

The general agricultural proposition is to occupy and cultivate the lands, to conserve and increase to the utmost practical degree the fertility of the soil, and to produce from our lands a maximum amount of food which can be grown at a profit. Specifically what are our agricultural problems? We need more farmers and better farmers. Only a small percentage of our land is utilized at all, and a much smaller percentage is in cultivation. We must have more farmers, and it is equally imperative that we have farmers who will succeed. Each farmer must individually study the agricultural problems which his locality presents, and all of us must lend him our assistance in his efforts to improve his methods and increase his production. Farmers who come here should come with a view to making this their permanent home. They should come, if possible, from sections where agricultural conditions are similar to the locality in which they settle. To induce successful farmers to come, they must first be satisfied by observation, and demonstration that they can make farming remunerative on the basis of the price they are asked to pay for our land. If they come as tenants we must give them better improvements and better living conditions. Landlords will be called upon to do their share in this work, and they should understand that it is the successful farmers who advance the value of lands. Farmers who have prospered else-

where will come only when improvements on the farms, the roads, school and social conditions appeal to them as being satisfactory. We have much to overcome, and the situation demands of us prompt, intelligent and united action. Our holdings of land are in tracts so small that no large colonization or immigration scheme is possible.

What Practical Agriculture Will Do.

We need a more intelligent comprehension of our soil conditions, including the conservation and improvement of soil and better understanding of climatic conditions, together with practical improvements along the lines of preparation of seed beds, adaptation of crops, selection of seed, crop rotation, methods of cultivation and systems of marketing. With the advantages our climate offers for general stock and poultry raising, our farmers must understand that they are not going to even approximate their full capacity in agricultural production until each farmer raises cattle, hogs, produce, dairy products and poultry and eggs. There never has been a time in Eastern Oklahoma when an abundance of green feed for stock could not be raised. We also should understand how vital it is to plant at least a small acreage each year in that great insurance crop—kafir corn. We must take into consideration how varied our seasons are. This is a period when our farmers are striving to comprehend fundamental conditions, and adapt their methods and crops to the inexorable conditions imposed by Nature.

The Features of The Meeting.

At the Eastern Oklahoma Agricultural Conference, there will be present representatives of the demonstration work of the Federal Government, who will tell of their methods and show the manner in which they can co-operate with the individual farmer. Representatives of the State A. & M. College will also be present, which institution stands ever ready to co-operate in every movement designated to help the farmer. The reading farmer will be told where he can secure State and Federal bulletins containing scientific expositions of agricultural methods. Farmers conspicuous for their success in Eastern Oklahoma will be present and state what they have accomplished and how they have done it. Agricultural experts of national prominence will address the meetings. Open discussions from the floor will follow the presentation of each subject. The problem of road improvement will be presented and discussed by those experienced in this line of work. The question of organizing district horticultural associations will be raised, and the plan adopted by the Horticultural Committee of the Muskogee Commercial Club will be presented for consideration. The specific purpose of this meeting is to induce better agricultural methods in the Eastern half of Oklahoma where similar agricultural conditions prevail. To this end plans will be presented for the organization of counties. The results attained in Pettis County, Missouri, will be presented by Mr. Carrol and Mr. Jordan of Sedalia, who have had charge of this work. The plans used in Pettis County, Missouri, Clinton County, Iowa, and other sections of the Middle West have been beneficial to such a degree as to make it imperative that Eastern Oklahoma consider the desirability of using methods conspicuous for their success in other States. This meeting will adopt a county plan. To encourage, direct and maintain such organizations a central body will be formed composed of one or more representatives from each county. There will also be presented at the meeting a method whereby counties may avail themselves of the opportunity of securing \$1,000 a year for the betterment of agricultural conditions within their limits. No county should fail to have representatives present.

Shortly following this conference, the M. K. & T. Ry. Co. will run over its lines in eastern Oklahoma a special agricultural educational train with a view to assisting agricultural and stock raising by education and demonstration. Farmers' institutes, newspapers and commercial clubs should be especially active in pushing this meeting. With the proper co-operation this movement should result in doubling the agricultural output of eastern Oklahoma in the next five years.

Working singly we can benefit only our immediate vicinity; uniting with all other sections, affected by like conditions, we can with the same effort inaugurate a movement which will terminate in bettering farm conditions in the entire eastern part of the state, and thereby benefiting every other business man and individual.

We therefore urge every man who has the welfare of his business and county at heart to attend this meeting. We wish the farmers to feel that it shall be their meeting, held to benefit them directly and other business men indirectly.

With the passage of years, and the increase of population, the problems of the farmer become more and more acute. Come to this meeting and hear what others have to say about county organization, where it has proved a success. Let's put our shoulders to the wheel and with concerted action make eastern Oklahoma the agricultural center of the Great Southwest.

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J. F. DARBY, President Muskogee Commercial Club, H. E. BELL, Chairman Agricultural Committee.



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No. 404—Joplin Express.....7:55 a.m.
No. 408—St. Louis Limited...6:40 p.m.
No. 10—St. Louis Meteor...11:45 p.m.
South and West Bound.
No. 9—Okla. City & S. W....2:05 a.m.
No. 111—Okla. City fr K. C....3:31 a.m.
No. 407—Ok C. fr K. C.-St. L....8:45 a.m.
No. 411—California Express...1:05 p.m.
No. 403—Sapulpa Express...8:05 p.m.

M. K. & T. TIME TABLE.

North Bound.

No. 2—Kansas City Special...1:18 a.m.
No. 4—Local Passenger...8:53 a.m.
No. 6—Flyer—K. C. & St. L....6:20 p.m.
No. 8—Local Passenger...3:24 p.m.
No. 10—Katy Limited...5:34 a.m.
South Bound.
No. 1—Texas Express...4:25 a.m.
No. 3—Texas Express...7:23 p.m.
No. 5—Flyer...9:44 a.m.
No. 7—Local Passenger...11:16 a.m.
No. 9—Katy Limited...10:33 p.m.

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